Sikh websites with descriptions

Many of these are extant only through Internet Archive now. Only some are perfectly preserved.

Keep in mind that only a few of these sites have expanded descriptions, and most of them do not. Given the large number of websites I went through, and the even larger number of websites that I haven't gone through, it is impractical to write out detailed descriptions for every site in a short amount of time.

\zafarnama.com

Status: Dead website which was last extant on Feb. 27, 2021. Contents appear to be fully extant on Wayback Machine.

Description: This website contains translations of Guru Gobind Singh Ji's Zafarnama and a few related texts from Persian into English. There isn't much more to it than that. The site's author and webmaster claims to be a former wing commander named Jasbir Singh Sangar. No further information about this individual could be identified.

Most notable feature: Zafarnama translation.

\sikharchives.com

Status: Dead website since ~2015–2016. Although roughly 19,000 URLs are archived on Wayback Machine, only about 3,200 of those are articles that were captured between 2010 and 2015.

Description (multiple paragraphs):

Having scrolled through this website's archives since late July (the first time I came across it), several things stand out about it. Many of the articles on this site come across as absolutely schizo in nature, particularly the articles written by "Poet Warrior" who compiled his Dasam Granth and Yogi Bhajan dossiers on this site. "Poet Warrior" claims to have been a graduate student who travelled to several countries, including Germany, at the time he was writing on the site.

Many of the articles that appear on the sidebars of captured pages are conspiratorial memes such as "the impending collapse of the dollar" or "India's downfall!" Notably, one such conspiratorial sidebar article from 2015 describes Russian war criminal Igor Girkin as a "freedom fighter" (big oof). Other articles attack Hindooism, the RSS and the Indian government (justifiably so) but also take things too far with articles such as "Sikhs are Scythians!" and "The Jew–Brahmin Connection" while attributing the anti-Sikh antagonism of Yogi Bhajan and Khushwant Singh to being born from certain castes (Yogi Bhajan is

attacked for his birth surname of Puri). To be clear, Yogi Bhajan deserves to be repudiated for all of his disgusting behaviours, but attacking him over his surname isn't it. As much as this website denounces Dasam Granth and 3HO for their Hindooizing influences, it appears to have absorbed back some of that rotten spirit in a different way. A very strange, extremely paranoid, but morbidly fascinating website.

The admin/webmaster of this site was a lady who went by the pseudonym "Rumilet Verdecia" which is currently only attested on a comment left by her on \gurmukhyoga.com (basically Gursant Singh's blog). Nothing is known about this person, other than that she and "Poet Warrior" appeared to have been in contact with each other, and with the ex-3HO member Gursant Singh, whose posts and comments and even advertisements are found all over the site.

While this website is absolutely schizo, this site is not entirely superfluous. First, a few intriguing viewpoints on the Dasam Granth do emerge from its dossier. For example, one article claims that the Dasam Granth, which is said to be a temporal guidebook as well, lacks any comprehensive discussions on military tactics and strategies. Second, a few articles are captured which list out other Sikh websites that are now abandoned or defunct, which served as a great springboard for diving into dead Sikh websites.

Most notable features: The Dasam Granth Dossier, and to a lesser extent, the Yogi Bhajan Dossier. Both are highly polemical and very immaturely written, however, so they are grating to read at times... Oh, and the link bank I mentioned. The "Poet Warrior" article titled "Chronology Of The Decline Of Sikhism: Updated" is a good encapsulation of the overall paranoia that permeated this site's content.

\dasamgranthexposed.com

Status: Dead website since around 2012. Partially archived on Wayback Machine.

Description: The URL should tell you what this site is about. Surprisingly, it's quite sparse in content.

Most notable feature: The entire site in itself, really. You can view all of what's left in about 10 minutes.

\jeevanjach.com

Status: Dead website since sometime in August 2024. Almost entirely archived on Wayback Machine.

Description: Prevalent on the first pages of Google searches for

certain Sikh topics for a good chunk of last year, which is the only reason I know about its existence in the first place. A blog run by Amarjit Singh Gulati, a Malaysian Sikh and a little-known associate of the infamous Karminder Singh Dhillon. This blog has some surface-level posts about topics that this particular crowd loves to talk about: the Dasam Granth, Gurbani grammar, various Sikh metaphysical topics, and arguments about Sikh historiography.

Most notable feature: One of the articles features a failed SQL hijacking attempt in the comments section, which I thought was somehow on brand for this particular site.

\kalaafghana.com

Status: Dead website since about 2012. Poorly archived on Wayback Machine, so much of it is largely not extant anymore and has disappeared for good.

Description (multiple paragraphs):

Some background: Gurbaksh Singh Kala Afgana might be the most heterodox writer on Sikhi of the modern era, and his name is synonymous with heresy among the few who do know him. Most famous for writing Bipran Ki Reet Ton Sach Da Marg (from the ways of the Brahmins [to] the path of truth), and for criticizing the Gurbilas Patshahi Chheivin, which he perceived as false historiography. His work got him excommunicated by Akal Takht.

There are three different iterations of this site (2003, 2007, 2011), all of them sparse, and the first two of which seem set up poorly. All of them have links to various response letters, almost all of which are now lost, as well as links to his own written materials, which aren't lost but don't really appear on this website.

Most notable feature: One iteration of the website has a link to another obscure and long-defunct Sikh website hidden away (\sadapunjab.com).